

Update from All Saints'
Email to the Parish from The Venerable Christopher Dunn
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It was so mild outside today that I actually felt the sense of optimism that Spring is in the air!

In this week's **Church School Video**, Simone joins the children to talk about darkness and light. She reads the story, "What was I afraid of?" In today's craft, Julie gets some help from Ayla and Jamie as they make Suncatchers to hang in the window. You will find the Church School Video on our Parish Facebook page at this link: www.facebook.com/allsaintswestboro/videos/2663843567246641

A reminder that Simone is continuing to lead **Morning Prayer** each Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday at 9:00 am. The Zoom link is the same every day; so, join her tomorrow morning using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8741442482?pwd=OEI4V090MjVhTmU3N1VkMysvTkdTUT09> (Meeting ID: 874 144 2482 & Passcode: 12345)

You can also join Michael Norman for the **Earth Gospel Evening Prayer**, at 5:00 pm, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday this week. The link to the Evening Prayer service is the same each of those days, so click on this one to join in this evening: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6130506404> (Meeting ID: 613 050 6404)

This Saturday evening/Sunday Morning, it will be time to **Change the Clocks**. Always a sign of Spring, the moving forward of the clocks will give us more light in the evening. So, get set for the time change!

As you have heard, today is the **one-year anniversary of the declaration of the Pandemic**.

Tonight's prayer was shared by the Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Most Rev. Linda Nicholls:

God of infinite compassion and mercy, our hearts are overflowing with a flood of emotions from the past year, fear and sorrow and grief—endurance, relief, and hope, for the families of all who have died, who have been unable yet to mourn. We ask your comfort for health care workers persevering in the battle with the disease. We ask your strength and courage, for government and public health leaders. We ask your wisdom for all facing the relentless uncertainties that continue, we ask your endurance and peace, we give thanks for the resilience discovered within us, we give thanks for all who continue to work to protect and care for us, we give thanks for your unending love and compassion in our midst at all times. As we face the year ahead fill our hearts with that same love and compassion for our world and its needs. For in you we find all that is needed—for whatever lies ahead. Amen

Take care,

Chris